

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L PRAGUE 0056

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EGEN, NATO, CZ  
SUBJECT: ECONADS: CZECHOSLOVAK ECONOMY (AC/127.WP/528)

REFS A. USNATO 13131, B. USNATO 13005, C. PRAGUE 3450

1. CZECHOSLOVAK COMMERCIAL BANK POSTS EXCHANGE RATES  
MONTHLY CITING OFFICIAL RATE AND TOURIST RATE. FOR STATISTICAL  
PURPOSES, EMBASSY USES OFFICIAL RATE AND DERIVES YEARLY RATE BY  
CALCULATING SIMPLE AVERAGE OF 12 MONTHLY RATES. USING THIS METHOD,  
FOLLOWING RATES OBTAINED: 1973, 5.83 KCS EQUAL \$1; 1974, 5.83  
KCS PER DOLLAR; 1975, 5.55 KCS PER DOLLAR; 1976, 5.775 KCS PER DOLLAR;  
1977, 5.64 KCS PER DOLLAR.

2. LATEST EDITION (1977) OF STATISTICKA ROCENKA CSSR  
CONTAINS FOREIGN TRADE DATA FOR YEAR 1976. FIGURES  
REQUESTED (PARA TWO, REF A) FOLLOW EXPRESSED IN MILLIONS OF  
CZECHOSLOVAK CROWNS:

	EXPORTS	IMPORTS	BALANCE
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TOTAL TRADE	52,137	55,996	-3,859
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INDUSTRIAL WEST	9,502	13,963	-4,461
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COMMUNIST COUNTRIES	38,701	39,106	- 405
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LDC'S	3,934	2,927	PLUS 1,007
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AS NOTED PARA ONE ABOVE, EMBASSY USES CONVERSION RATE OF 5.775  
KCS PER DOLLAR FOR 1976.

3. AS YET, EMBASSY HAS NO PRELIMINARY FIGURES FOR 1977.  
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN TRADE NORMALLY PROVIDES PRELIMINARY DATA  
BY LATE FEBRUARY OR EARLY MARCH.  
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